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SUBJ: CCD: AUGUST 23 INFORMAL MEETING WITH EXPERTS ON CHEMICAL
WEAPONS (CW)

1. SUMMARY: IN CCD AUGUST 23 INFORMAL MEETING WITH EXPERTS
ON THE SUBJECT OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS (CW), NETHERLANDS REP
INQUIRED ABOUT SWEDISH VIEWS ON HERBICIDES AND IRRITANTS IN
THE CONTEXT OF A CW BAN, AND NETHERLANDS EXPERT ADDRESSED
TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF CW VERIFICATION. END SUMMARY

2. NETHERLANDS REP (MEERBURG) INQUIRED ABOUT SWEDISH VIEWS
ON TREATMENT OF HERBICIDES AND IRRITANTS IN A CW BAN, AS EX-
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PRESSED IN THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING CCD PLENARY MEETING
(SEPTEL). WOULD SPECIFIC AGENTS BE EXEMPTED IN THE PROTOCOL
TO THE CW CONVENTION, NETHERLANDS REP ASKED, OR WOULD USE OF
CERTAIN TYPES OF AGENTS BE EXEMPTED?

3. NETHERLANDS EXPERT (OOMS), REFERRING TO THE NETHERLANDS
WORKING PAPER (CCD/533) PRESENTED ON APRIL 22 WITH REGARD TO

THE CW VERIFICATION POTENTIAL OF ANALYTICAL METHODS APPLIED TO THE EFFLUENT OF CHEMICAL FACTORIES, STATED THAT PRELIMINARY RESULTS OF A MULTI-LABORATORY EXPERIMENT HAVE BEEN VERY PROMISING AND INVITED OTHER COUNTRIES TO PARTICIPATE.

4. CALLING THE METHOD PRESENTED IN THE SOVIET WORKING PAPER (CCD/539) ON THE VERIFICATION OF CW STOCKPILE DESTRUCTION "VERY INTERESTING," NETHERLANDS EXPERT INDICATED HIS VIEW THAT IT COULD FORM THE BASIS FOR TREATY PROVISIONS. ON THE OVERALL SOVIET WORKING PAPER RELATED TO CW VERIFICATION (CCD/538), NETHERLANDS EXPERT EXPRESSED DOUBT THAT "THE PRESENCE OF RESEARCH CENTERS (OR SYSTEMS OF SUCH CENTERS) WHERE INTERRELATED SOLUTIONS ARE FOUND TO CHEMICAL, BIOLOGICAL AND MEDICAL PROBLEMS" WOULD BE A CHARACTERISTIC INDICATOR OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS. BY THIS DEFINITION, HE SAID, HIS OWN RESEARCH CENTER WOULD SO QUALIFY, BUT IN FACT HIS RESEARCH CENTER HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OR PRODUCTION OF CW AGENTS. TURNING TO THE SAME SOVIET WORKING PAPER'S TREATMENT OF REMOTE MONITORING BY SATELLITE, NETHERLANDS EXPERT SAID THAT SINCE SATELLITE ORBITS ARE KNOWN, FIELD TRIALS COULD BE CARRIED OUT AT A TIME WHEN A SATELLITE COULD NOT BE OBSERVING IT -- EVEN ASSUMING THAT THE LOCATION OF FIELD TRIALS WERE KNOWN. IF THE OBSERVATION SWATH FOR A SATELLITE WERE ONE THOUSAND KILOMETERS, NETHERLANDS EXPERT ESTIMATED THAT COVERING THE AREA OF THE CONTINENTS EVERY THREE HOURS WOULD REQUIRE FORTY SATELLITES EACH TAKELIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ING TWENTY THOUSAND SPECTRA PER SECOND. STATING HIS ASSUMPTION THAT THE SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR SATELLITE OBSERVATION IS STILL A THEORETICAL ONE, NETHERLANDS EXPERT ASKED THE USSR DELEGATION FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS.

5. FRG REP (SCHLAICH) STATED THAT FRG EXPERT (HOFFMANN) DOES NOT WANT TO TAKE THE FLOOR IN THE CW INFORMAL MEETINGS, BUT THAT THE FRG WILL MAKE A STATEMENT ON CW IN THE AUGUST 25 CCD PLENARY.

6. NEXT CW INFORMAL MEETING WITH EXPERTS WAS SCHEDULED FOR 3:00 PM, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24. VANDEN HUEVEL

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